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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: M. MELZIG et al  
Serial No.: 09/819,705  
Filed: March 29, 2001  
For: PHOTOCROMIC COMPOUNDS  
Group: 1624  
Examiner: D. RAO

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner For Patents  
POB 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 10, 2005

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within the first month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action, mailed September 10, 2004. A credit card payment form in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (028.34242VC3) and any excess fees credited to that account.

Respectfully submitted,  
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